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Amy Carter, Sarnecky and KDES student at RIF Day.

KDES students celebrate RIF Day at White House

by Roxanne Gromelski

A group of KDES students and teachers were among 200 guests invited to celebrate National Reading is Fun Day at the White House recently.

The formal ceremony was highlighted by appearances of Mrs. Rosalynn Carter and daughter, Amy, Carol Burnett, Arthur Ashe and NBC's John Chancellor, who served as Master of Ceremonies.

Reading is Fun Day was sponsored by Reading is Fundamental in conjunction with the International Year of the Child. As the White House celebration was taking place, more than a million children in local RIF projects across the country participated in similar activities—choosing books they want to keep as their own.

After a brief welcome address by Mrs. Carter, the audience of young people from the Washington area heard from Mrs. Robert S. McNamara, founder and chairperson of Reading is Fundamental. Amy Carter then read a poem, "The Voices of the Trees," written by a local elementary student. The formal ceremony was highlighted by an upbeat and amusing performance by Carol Burnett, who has been RIF's spokeswoman on radio and television for two years.

Other highlights of the ceremony included the unveiling of the Reading is Fun Day Poster, and a brief talk by Mrs. Ruth Graves, RIF president. Maurice Sendak, one of the country's leading illustrators of children's books, was commissioned to design the RIF poster and was present at the unveiling.

Following the formal ceremony, the youngsters released hundreds of balloons from the White House lawn, each carry-

ing a message asking the finder to write and name a favorite book. The participants also spent time roaming among tables heaped high with new paperback books, choosing the book they wanted to keep as their own. More than 300 publishers provided books for Reading is Fun Day at the White House.

Reading is Fundamental was founded 13 years ago in Washington, D.C., and now counts more than 2,300 local RIF projects at 10,000 sites. More than 100,000 volunteers work at the projects. This year, more than two million children are choosing to own eight million books.

Kendall participated in the RIF program this summer, with 150 summer schoolers taking part. Students attending the White House celebration included Is-satu Bangura, Jerry Carver, Shantelle Cephas, Matthew Lockhard and Joey Bader, all from the Primary Department; Sharon Edwards, Chauntice Green, Linda Hartzog, James Tabron and Valerie Washington from the Elementary Department; and Richard Beavert, Faith Davis, Alice Ghee, Revis Tyree and Edwin Young from the Middle School. Gordan Bergan from the KDES Co-Curricular Department, and Ellen A. Sarnecky, KDES summer school coordinator, accompanied the children.

Wisher's Dancers widely known

by Bruce White

When Dr. Peter R. Wisher left the University of Maryland and joined the Physical Education Department here a quarter century ago, few of his acquaintances at College Park had heard of Gallaudet College. Now, on the Silver Anniversary of his Gallaudet Dancers, Gallaudet is known throughout the world, partly through the accomplishments of the Dancers, who are more widely known and adulated off campus than on.

Professor Wisher no longer coaches basketball and swimming, as he once did. He trains instead his dedicated team of dancers five days a week, and on weekends as well whenever performance dates approach. His dancers are superbly conditioned athletes who remain in shape all year. The students generally spend their first year in training before becoming part of the performing group. Only rarely does a student come with previous dance experience.

The Gallaudet Dancers have been entertaining off campus for 20 years, performing a combination of modern dance, jazz and poetry in motion. All the choreography is done by Wisher. They currently accept about 30 engagements a year, having to turn down many requests. They nearly always get asked to return for repeat performances and receive many appreciative letters and rave reviews. On Oct. 29 they performed at the Lincoln Center in New York City, and engagements in San Juan and possibly even France await them.

Prof. Wisher will, unfortunately, retire in two years. He needs time to reflect upon and organize the experiences and anecdotes of 25 years. Incidents of almost-missed planes, attempts to "break into" hotel rooms to wake up oversleeping dancers and emotional responses of audiences are some of the many memories that need to be recaptured, possibly for future publication. It is certain that such a culminating work by this pioneer in dance for the deaf will be eagerly received by all his students and fans of so many productive and memorable years.



Wisher and his Gallaudet Dancers last year.

Give a greeting and help Ole Jim

Want to wish your friends on campus happy holidays? Or maybe give a personal greeting to a special friend or co-worker? In the Dec. 17 issue of *On the Green* we will be featuring personalized holiday messages from you!

For only \$2 you can have a five-line box expressing your sentiments of the season. For longer messages, additional lines are available for 50 cents. All proceeds will go into the fund to renovate the Ole Jim.

We need your ads by next Monday, Dec. 17. Send cash or check (payable to Gallaudet College) along with your message, to *On the Green*, Alumni & Public Relations Office, Chapel Hall. Or if you bump into editor Vickie Walter around campus, she'll be glad to take your money and your message.

Serendipity

Library Bits & Pieces

More new faces in the Library

by Judy Cox

There are three new faces in the Library since the beginning of October. One belongs to Rick Coury, who is assistant librarian: Technical Services. He is from Illinois and came to us from Indiana University Library in Bloomington where he was working. He has a bachelor's degree in French from Southern Illinois University and a master's degree from Indiana University in Arabic Language and Literature. He also knows some Hebrew.

Nadav Katz, another new face, knows fluent Hebrew and some Arabic. He hails from Israel and has been in the U.S. since 1971. He has a bachelor's degree in Middle East Studies from the University of Minnesota and worked in that University library before moving to Washington, where he most recently worked at Aspen Systems before joining our staff.

David de Lorenzo is our Library's first graduate assistant. He has his master's degree in Library Science from Simmons College and is currently enrolled in the doctoral program in American Studies at the University of Maryland. He will be here for a year learning sign language and assisting at the Reference Desk and in various Library projects, including indexing Edward Miner Gallaudet's papers and inputting data from the papers into the computer.

We miss Michele Seghetti, whose smiling face you are used to seeing at the Circulation Desk, but we haven't really lost her. She is working in the learning Resources Center in MSSD now, so she's still really a part of the family.

Another new member of the "Library family" whose face you probably won't see any time soon belongs to Christopher Calby Lyles, born October. Anne Calby,

associate librarian: Technical Services, and her husband, David Lyles, are Chris' proud parents.

Microfiche reader recommendation

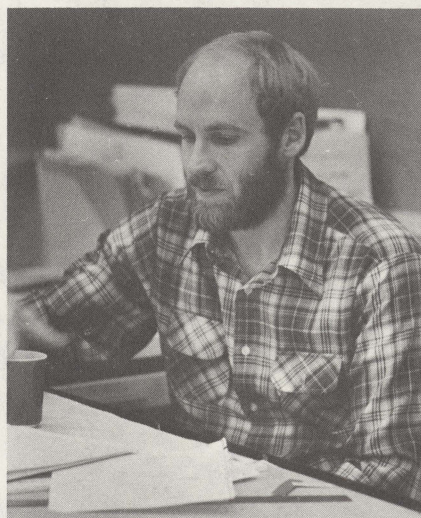
This past summer, the Gallaudet College Library made a careful study of microfiche readers that are appropriate for use with the new COM (Computer Output Microform) Catalog. Since one of the chief benefits of the COM Catalog is that it can be reproduced cheaply outside the Library, readers were evaluated for appropriate use in an office setting. The Library is currently providing free copies of the COM Catalog to those offices which have or purchase an appropriate microfiche reader.

Office use of a microfiche reader generally requires a reader that is lightweight and portable so that it can be moved to different locations and stored easily. Images are stored on microfiche using different reduction ratios. The COM catalog will be produced at a reduction ratio of 42x, meaning that an image on the microfiche will be 42 times smaller (in terms of linear dimensions) than the original. Another common reduction ratio for microfiche is 24x. The reduction ratio is used for producing microfiche like those in the Library's ERIC document collection. In fact, 24x and 42x are standard microfiche image reduction ratios. It is desirable, therefore, to have a reader with two lenses so that both 42x and 24x microfiche images can be blown up to full size or near full size on the reader screen.

One excellent reader which satisfies the criteria just mentioned is the Micron 775. It is portable and has easily interchangeable lenses. Contact Jim Bourg in the Library for ordering information, x5573.



Katz, Coury, Sherry Hutchinson, new assistant: Circulation, and de Lorenzo.



Bill Lewis, acting art director at MSSD.

KDES participates in Deaf Action Week

"Deaf Action Week," sponsored by the D.C. Public Library, will be observed today through Saturday, Dec. 8. The theme for this year will be "D.C. Week of the Deaf Child," in observance of the 1979 International Year of the Child. Highlight of the week will be a dance program to be held at the Martin Luther King Memorial Library, 901 G Street NW this Tuesday at noon.

Elizabeth "Wally" Larson will direct dancers from KDES on Tuesday in their program entitled, "The Outer Space Kids' Visit to the Smithsonian." Larson, a ballerina who lives in Alexandria, recently received recognition for pioneering efforts in teaching deaf children the fundamentals of responding to their inner sense of rhythm and movement. Narration will accompany the dance program, and art work entitled "Seeing Through the Eyes of a Deaf Child" will also be on display.

Sign class scheduled

The Linguistics Department will be offering a graduate-level course on the Structure of American Sign Language during the spring semester. This course is designed primarily for faculty and staff and will meet Tuesdays and Thursdays from 11:30-1 p.m.

All persons interested in taking the course should attend an organizational and explanatory meeting next Wednesday, Dec. 12, from 4:30-5:30 p.m. in College Hall, Room 215. Enrollment is limited and organized on a first-come, first-served basis.

Sponsored R&D

Grant/Contract Deadlines

As a regular feature of *On the Green*, the Division of Research will be providing application deadlines for federal programs of potential interest to members of the Gallaudet community. For each selected project opportunity, the application deadline will be followed by the initials of the federal agency and the program title. This week, we highlight a recent proposal submitted to the National Science Foundation under their Physically Handicapped in Science Program. More complete information on projects of interest can be obtained from Dr. Glenn Pfau, Director, Offices of Sponsored Research, x5030 (voice or TTY).

Deadline	Program
12/31/79	NIE—Program for Educational Research and Development
01/09/80	NSF—Information Dissemination for Science Education (IDSE)
01/16/80	HEW—Cooperative Education Program: New Projects
01/21/80	NIE—Teaching and Learning Research Grants
2/15/80	HEW—Strengthening Research Library Resources: New Projects
2/16/80	BEH—Media Research, Production, Distribution & Training Grants
2/29/80	HEW—Basic Skills in the Schools Program
2/29/80	HEW—Basic Skills: Parent Participation Program

Weekly program highlight

Paul Cunningham of the Science Department (MSSD) recently developed and submitted a grant proposal to the Physically Handicapped in Science Program (NSF). The proposal, "The Validation, Revision and Dissemination of a Plant Biology Course for the Hearing-Impaired High School Student Population," proposes to field test a Plant Biology course developed and pilot tested at the MSSD over the past two years. The field testing will occur at 20 sites across the country and will culminate in a four-week workshop to be held at the MSSD in the summer of 1981 and including eight high school science teachers of the deaf as participants.

ODS gets two contracts

For the fourth consecutive year, the Office of Demographic Studies has concluded a contract with the Texas Education Agency (the State Department of Education) for the purpose of operating a statewide pupil data management information system. In its first three years, this project has been of significant value to state and regional education administrators and planners, and has proven to be a useful vehicle for statewide evaluation of special education programming for hearing impaired children. Reports describing the first and second years of the project are available from ODS, and a report on the third year activities is currently in preparation.

A similar contract has been concluded for the second consecutive year with the Louisiana State Department of Education, for the purpose of developing and operating a pupil data management information system in that state. Because of the unusually high rate of Usher's Syndrome and other forms of deaf/blindness in the state, the Louisiana system pays special attention to the visual abilities and visual problems of hearing impaired children.

Both projects represent significant con-

tinuing ways in which Gallaudet research activities are put to day-to-day use by front lines teachers and administrators. A significant feature of both contracts for the 1979-80 school year is the inclusion of statewide achievement testing for hearing impaired children. By this means, all interested parties are able to gauge the "state of the state" regarding the outcome of special education in the form of school achievement scores.

Since similar data were collected in Texas last year, the analysis of the new data will provide significant information or year-to-year achievement gains in deaf children throughout the state. For further information, contact Michael Karchmer at x5300.

Student Special Services is looking for handouts of old hearing aids that are no longer functional. If anyone has a run-down, beat-up old aid that they would be willing to donate, please contact Jo Anne Simon, x5405.

Did you know... that *The Tower Clock*, the senior annual as we know it today, was begun in 1941?

President's Office Notes

Board of Fellows meets

On Nov. 14-16 the Gallaudet College Board of Fellows had their annual meeting. The Board of Fellows, established by the Board of Trustees, is charged with reviewing specific areas of the institution and making recommendations about these to the President and the Board of Trustees.

Dr. Merrill opened the meeting on Wednesday morning by presenting to the Board of Fellows the new structure and functioning of the Board of Trustees. He explained the self-study that took place in 1978, the new standing committees on Trustees, Mission and Resources, and the new meeting format. The Fellows were pleased to see that the Trustees will become more involved in the mission of Gallaudet College and that the Fellows would have the opportunity to work with them in the future.

This year the Board of Fellows heard reports on two major areas. First, in response to recommendations made by the Fellows in October, 1978, the Division of Academic Affairs through a panel presentation set forth for the Board their plans for the coming years. John Schuchman, Thomas Landers, Jean Shoemaker, David Tweedie and Gilbert Delgado shared with the Board of Fellows

their thoughts and objectives for the 1978-79 academic year. Of particular interest to the Fellows were discussions of the proposed undergraduate major in education and the meaning of a liberal arts education.

The bulk of the meeting was devoted to the study of the Division of Public Service Programs. Thomas Mayes, Leon LeBuffe, Regan Quinn, Don Pettingill, Arthur Roehrig, Elaine Costello, Roslyn Rosen, Lorraine DiPietro, Connie Knight, Sy Dubow and Ed Franklin gave presentations about the areas of public service programs for which they are responsible. Progress to date in Demonstration Programs, the National Academy, the Special School of the Future, Curriculum Development and Research and the Extension Center in Kansas City were reported. After presentations, Thomas Mayes, his staff and the Fellows generated a series of questions and issues for discussion. The Fellows then met for a full afternoon and deliberated about recommendations they wished to make to the College.

The recommendations were presented to Merrill and members of the Central Administration on Friday morning. Following publication, the report will be made available to all the members of the campus community.

For the record . . .

On Nov. 15, 1979 the National Labor Relations Board conducted two separate elections to determine whether Gallaudet's clerical and technical employees and transportation and grounds employees wished to be represented by Gallaudet Local, District 65, a New York-based union affiliated with the UAW.

The Tally of Ballots for each unit issued on Nov. 15 and signed by the NLRB agent indicated the following results:

* Clerical/Technical Unit—102 votes cast for the union, 136 votes cast against the union and 32 votes challenged.

* Transportation/Grounds Unit—11

votes cast for the union, 28 votes cast against the union and 8 votes challenged.

Normally, the NLRB would certify the results of the election approximately one week after the election. However, final certification is delayed if the losing party files objections to the election.

As of Nov. 28, the College has not received final certification of the results and it is for this reason that the College has delayed in sharing the vote count with you. District 65 has filed objections to the Clerical/Technical Unit election only. The union's objections, filed on Nov. 21 by Larry T. Steele, organizer, District 65/UAW, generally allege that the College interfered with the holding of the election.

Any objections filed by the losing party must be investigated by the NLRB, and no election can be considered absolutely final until the investigation is completed. The procedure is one commonly done and does not necessarily indicate that there is a basis for the objections.

Development Symposia scheduled

The School of Education and Human Services and the Research Institute are co-sponsoring a series of Professional Development Symposia for SEHS faculty and graduate students. The first topic will be, "Everything You Always Wanted to Know About How to Get Your Journal Article Published. . . But Were Afraid to Ask!"

Members of the School of Education and Human Services are urged to attend and faculty from other schools are also welcome on a space available basis. The workshop will be held Dec. 11 from 4:30-6:30 p.m. in the Red and Orange Rooms of the Plaza Dining Hall. You can register through the Office of the Dean, School of Education and Human Services, HMB 117.



Mario Santin, '24, shows off a painting he is giving to Frances Merrill to Mary Anne Pugin, coordinator of alumni programs, and Judy Bortner, acting director of Development. Santin brought this and several other paintings back from Italy to give to the Merrills. Over the years he has donated many paintings to the College. You can see some of them hanging in the halls of HMB.

Among Ourselves

Art Roehrig, director of Deaf-Blind Programs in Continuing Education and Carol Yoken, technical service specialist in the National Academy, were speakers at the Elwyn-Nevel Symposium on Sensory Disorders Nov. 12 in Philadelphia. Roehrig participated in two panel discussions, "Continuing Education: Possibilities for Blind and Deaf Persons" and "How to Serve Blind and Deaf Persons in Your Setting." Yoken described interviewing experiences in writing the book, *Living with Deaf-Blindness: Nine Profiles* during a session on "Life Concerns of Deaf-Blind Persons."

Jan Nishamura and Lillian Thompkins of Pre-College Programs, Larry Goldberg of NCLD and Connie Knight of the National Academy developed a program on deaf people in courts and presented it to a regional convention of court reporters Oct. 20 in Cape May, NJ. The convention was sponsored by the Maryland Association of Court Reporters.

Health Care Delivery for Deaf Patients was the topic of a one-day intensive seminar attended by more than 50 nurses, doctors and allied health professionals Nov. 9 at Gallaudet. The seminar faculty discussed special needs of deaf patients, communication, community resources, identifying and assessing hearing loss, psychological factors and audiologic habilitation. The program, co-sponsored by the National Academy and Catholic University School of Nursing, awarded continuing education units to nurses. Planners were Connie Knight, professional training coordinator in the National Academy and Judy Hogan, director of Continuing Education at Catholic University School of Nursing.

Irving Jordan has been invited to become a member of the Educator Advisory Committee of the General Accounting Office. He will serve a two-year term. The committee is made up of educators from around the United States and advises the Comptroller General on the direction and methodology of the GAO's work for Congress.

Yerker Andersson of the Sociology and Social Work Department attended a workshop for Sociology Department chairpersons in Dallas, TX Nov. 15-17. The workshop was sponsored by the American Sociological Association and the Lilly Foundation.

On Nov. 13 Andersson held a seminar with preparatory students on "Social Problems on the Gallaudet Campus."

Ed Skinski and Boris Bogatz have completed training offered by NCATE for the purpose of sitting on National Evaluation teams which accredit Teacher Education Programs. Skinski was also the keynote speaker at a conference in Springfield, MA, Nov. 5-6 entitled "National Association for Teachers of Mathematics."

Peter Wisher's dancers performed with members of the NYC Ballet at Lincoln Center in New York on Oct. 29, under the direction of Raymond Weiss.

William Stokoe of the Linguistics Research Laboratory spoke on "Syntactic Dimensionality" at the New York Academy of Sciences on Nov. 12.

Albert J. Couthen, '66, coordinator of After-School Program at KDES, was selected and honored as the "Man of the Year" at his alma mater school, The American School for the Deaf, in West Hartford, CT on Nov. 3.

Three Gallaudet staffers participate in the A & A Athletic Capitol Hill Marathon run Sunday, Nov. 25. In the 10-mile race, Barbara Johnson, Department of Education, ran the race in 66.25 minutes, placing first in her division and third overall for women. Gigi Fritz, doctoral student, clocked in at 65.30 to take second place both in her division and overall for women. Gil Delgado, dean of the Graduate School, placed fourth in his division, with a time of 75.12.

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Advocacy Notes

P.L. 94-142 and mainstreaming

by Merv Garretson

Public Law 94-142 (the Education for All Handicapped Children Act of 1973) guarantees for each handicapped child in the country a free and appropriate public education. It also requires that to the maximum extent possible and commensurate with their unique needs, handicapped children be educated with non-handicapped children in a regular public school setting.

The regulations for this law have been interpreted by a number of states as a mandate to phase out residential schools and other special day schools for handicapped children, including those who are deaf. It appears to me that such thinking completely overlooks the word "appropriate." I have no difficulty with mainstreaming of the visually impaired, the orthopedically handicapped, the learning disabled, the emotionally disturbed and others. Unless there is a secondary handicap, they all have normal hearing. However, the deaf child does not hear and is primarily visual-oriented.

Without a properly trained and oriented corps of teachers and without necessary support services, dumping deaf children wholesale into a regular public school system will result in extremely nebulous learning and preparation for the world of work. Communication inaccessibility means no exposure to the everyday dynamics of language, social interaction, current idiom, peer participation and a host of other natural learning activities. Such an "education" is not free, nor equal, and not appropriate. It leaves painful and costly gaps and scars that may take years to overcome, if at all. The aim, apparently, is to make the impossible dream become possible.

Only when the "least restrictive environment" and the "most appropriate placement" are congruent to each other will the law work for deaf children. If mainstreaming does not provide a free and appropriate education, it violates the spirit and intent of the law. We believe that it is important that state education agencies and the Bureau for Education of the Handicapped recognize P.L. 94-142 for what it really promises, an equal education opportunity in a barrier-free communication environment, and not just a push toward mainstreaming, which it isn't, or shouldn't be.

MSSD participates in Career Ed. Project

Several members of the Pre-College faculty are serving as trainers for the joint MSSD/NTID National Project on Career Education.

Regional workshops have been held this fall at NTID, MSSD, St. Louis and the California School for the Deaf at Berkeley. Rich Steffan and Jimmy Johnson serve as members of the Project Planning Committee as well as trainers, while Vivian Rice serves as a trainer.

The project provides training and technical assistance to educators of the deaf throughout the nation in career education, planning and implementation and delivery skills. David Updegraff serves as co-director of the project, which is a first in terms of a joint effort between Pre-College Programs and NTID.



Nineteen people from 17 countries participated in this year's **International Seminar**, sponsored by the International Center on Deafness, KDES and the President's Office. The seminar, held in October in commemoration of the United Nations International Year of the Child, was entitled, "The Development of Communication Skills and Language in Preschool Hearing Impaired Children." Participants heard lectures by individuals from KDES, MSSD, Gallaudet College and off-campus. Visits to schools and organizations for the deaf, a reception in their honor given by Edward C. Merrill, Jr. and a final awards banquet were among some of their activities. ICD welcomes nominations for prospective future participants in this yearly event. For more information contact ICD, x5316.

Jobs Available

For additional information, contact the Personnel Office.

SECRETARIAL POSITIONS: Contact Personnel for listing.
SECRETARY/RECEPTIONIST: Research
ASSISTANT: MEDIA UTILIZATION: Library
OFFICE COORDINATOR: Alumni/Public Relations
ASSISTANT LIBRARIAN: Tech. Services
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RESIDENT ADVISOR: Student Life
ASSISTANT TRAINING SPECIALIST: Personnel
PROGRAM ASSISTANT: Student Affairs
LRC ASSISTANT: KDES/Instruction
ASSISTANT DIRECTOR: Counseling & Placement
PROGRAM COORDINATOR: Law Center
CAREER COUNSELOR FOR MULTIPLY-HANDICAPPED STUDENTS: Counseling & Placement
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FIRST CLASS ENGINEER: PP-Central Utilities
ELECTRONIC TECHNICIAN-TICCIT: Computer Center
ELECTRONIC TECHNICIAN: Technical Support Center
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FACILITIES DESIGN MANAGER: PP-Administration
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INSTRUCTOR OR ASSISTANT PROFESSOR: American History
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FACULTY POSITION: Department of Counseling



Katrina Thompson, secretary for CER: Media Production at MSSD.

Classified Ads

FOR SALE: Three-piece complete bedroom set. Beautiful Spanish-Mediterranean style. Good condition. Contact Myrna Orlect, Box 976 or call 794-8822 (voice or TTY) after 5 p.m.

FOR SALE: Two steel radial snow tires, 165R13, used one season. \$45. Call x5400 and leave word for Dr. Gustason if you're interested.

FOR SALE: Tennis anyone?! At half price, one hour of reserved spot/random tennis time at Rockville Centre Racquet Club. Call Mike Boyd, x5815 or 890-6651 (home).

FOR SALE: Three 1/2 price American Airline coupons. \$35 each. Enable you to fly on American Airlines at 1/2 price until Dec. 15 to any city in U.S. and Canada serviced by American Airlines. See Rev. Schauer in Chaplain's Office (House 2 or call 651-5347 or 779-2786 both voice and TTY).

INSTRUCTION: Professional tennis instruction for the deaf by Dean Shifflett, Tennis Nutz, 12002T Old Baltimore Pike, Beltsville, MD. For more information call 937-8931 voice or 588-4605 TTY.

Quota conference held recently

by Hortense Auerbach

Six Gallaudet faculty members attended the 10th District Quota Conference in Cockeysville, MD recently. They were Pat Edelin, Ruth Phillips, Agnes Padden, Barbara Stevens, Julia Mayes and Hortense Auerbach. All are members of the Montgomery County Chapter of Quota International, Inc., which has the largest number of deaf professional women members of any Quota Chapter.

The eight deaf members are Ruth Peterson, Ruth Phillips, Barbara Stevens, Agnes Padden, Julia Mayes, Marjorie Culbertson, Diane Brooks and Hortense Auerbach. Most of the deaf members also hold office in the Chapter: Hortense Auerbach, president; Julia Mayes, first vice-president; Ruth Peterson, second vice-president; Agnes Padden and Barbara Stevens, directors; and Ruth Phillips, chair, Ways and Means.

The Chapter is embarking on a membership drive in the hope of doubling their membership, which presently totals 22. Special project for this year is Otis House. Another annual project is decorating 20 small Christmas trees which the Visiting Nurses Association delivers to shut-ins. If you're interested in joining, please see Julia Mayes or any other Chapter member.

At the 10th District Conference luncheon honoring Julia B. Mayes as *Deaf Woman of the Year*, McCay Vernon was the featured speaker. His topic was "Non-Verbal Communication." Mayes was presented with a citation and certificate designed by Ruth Peterson.

The Chapter meets twice a month, on the first and third Wednesdays of the month. One meeting devoted to business is held at the Silver Spring Library and the second meeting, a dinner-lecture, is usually held at a member's home.

Calendar

DEC. 3-8

3-8 DEAF AWARENESS WEEK, Prince George's County Library System.

4-CLOWN CLASS, Demonstration Programs, x5597, MWAD, 3210 Rhode Island Ave., 7-9 p.m.

6-GALLAUDET COLLEGE DEAF AWARENESS TROUPE, New Carrollton Branch Library, 7414 Riverdale Road, 7:30 p.m.

8-"HOW TO SELL YOUR OWN HOME," Demonstration Programs, x5597, Largo Campus, 9-5.

9-LIZ LERMAN and Dancers, "Elevator Operator," MSSD Auditorium, 7 p.m. Tickets: advance \$3.50, at door \$4 for faculty/staff; advance \$1.50, at door \$2 for students. Tickets available at Student Union Box Office.

12-INTERPRETED PERFORMANCE, "Design for Living," Arena Stage. Tickets available from Student Union Office, x5182.

14-COLLOQUIUM: "Research Proposals on Psychological Test Development, Ushers Syndrome, Genetic Deafness and Vocational Rehabilitation," Dr. McCay Vernon, HMB 251, 2-4 p.m.